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## Province-wide smoking ban in works

BY STEPHANIE MYLES  
*Didsbury Review*

The provincial government's new anti-smoking legislation has some smokers in Didsbury bars crying foul.

The blanket ban, which prohibits smoking in bars, casinos and workplaces, isn't sitting well with patrons and employees at JD's Place Restaurant & Pub.

"It's a free country," said patron Jessica Sutmoller, a smoker opposed to the ban.

She added that the restaurant is already smoke-free, providing options for smokers and non-smokers.

"That's why we have the restaurant side and the lounge side," she said. "Kids aren't allowed in here."

Bartender Laura Bales said she's also against the legislation.

"Probably 40 per cent of people that come in here do not smoke," she said. "They come in here for the atmosphere. It doesn't bother them."

The Stelmach government announced the smoking legislation last week. It is scheduled to be introduced in the legislature this spring, but won't be passed until the fall.

It also bans tobacco retail displays and sale of tobacco products in pharmacies, health-care facilities and post-secondary campuses.

Didsbury doesn't have a smoking bylaw governing restaurants and pubs. Town council has discussed the idea in the past, but Mayor Dorothy Moore said a lack of public consensus prompted council to drop the issue.

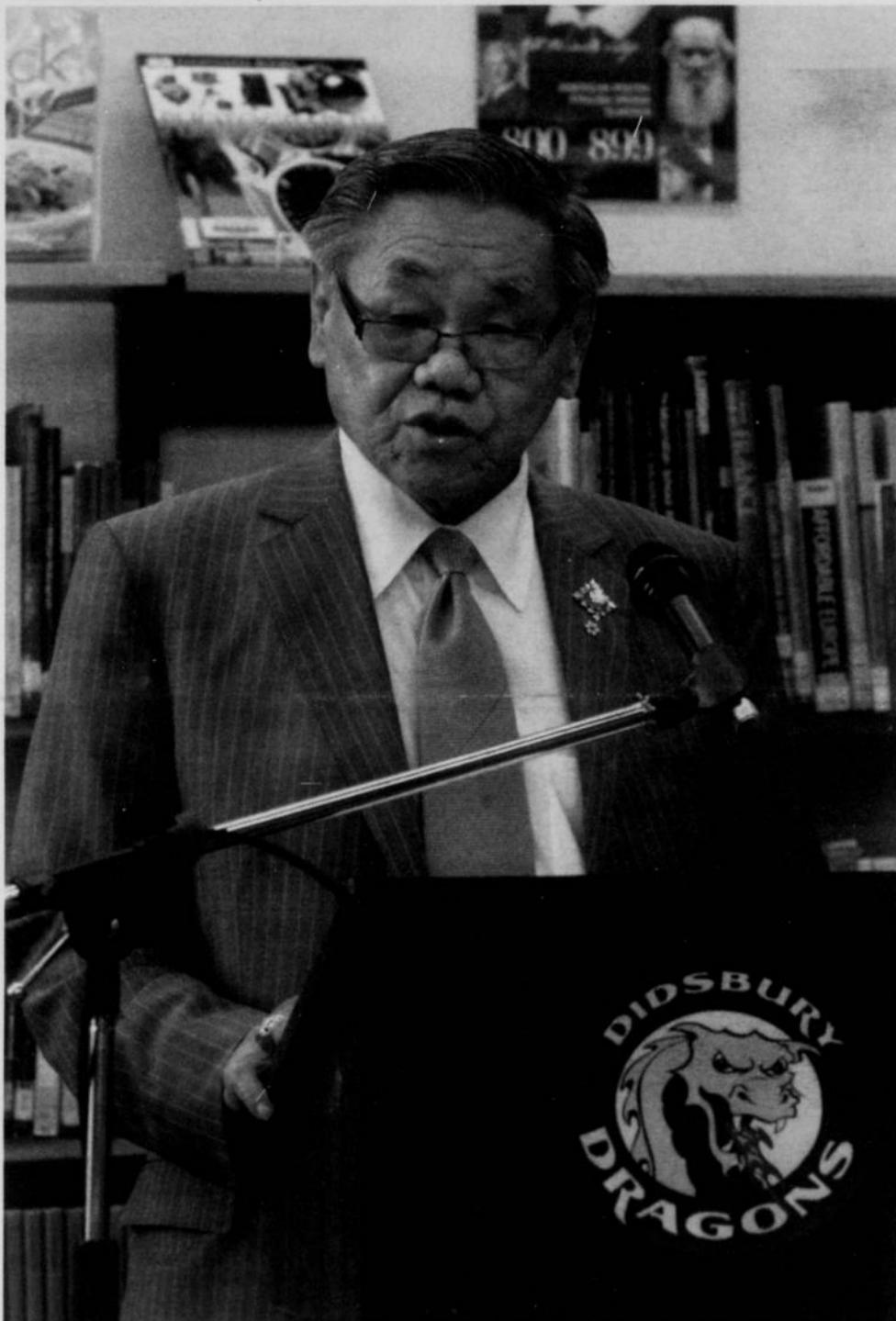
Since then, Moore said most restaurants in town have voluntarily gone smoke-free, and she thinks business owners do well to regulate themselves.

"I don't think that forcing regulations on people is the best way. I like what we've done in that the community in the first place decided that regulation wasn't the way they wanted to go and then chose voluntarily to do the best thing," she said. "I trust them to do the right thing."

The new legislation marks the end of years of discussion and hesitation on the issue.

Once passed, it will be among the toughest in Canada, bringing Alberta up to speed with other provinces.

DOROTHY MOORE  
*Mayor*



ROYAL GUEST - The Honourable Norman Kwong, lieutenant governor of Alberta, addressed Grade 10 students at Didsbury High School on Monday. The students invited him to speak as part of their social studies unit on the role of Canadian provincial and municipal governments.

Kim Dick/Didsbury Review

## THE OLDS CO-OP GAS BAR

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CO-OP

# College Green appeals contentious daycare decision

BY STEPHANIE MYLES  
Didsbury Review

Both sides in the dispute over Kidz Playhouse Daycare's proposed move have agreed to work together as they await a decision from the town's development appeal board.

The daycare owners and two appellants from the College Green seniors' residences had their day in court at last week's Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hearing.

The hearing marked the latest instalment in what has become a vocal issue in Didsbury over a municipal planning commission decision to allow the daycare to move into the lower level of the former College Green Medical Centre on 20 Avenue, adjacent to the seniors' residences.

The board heard an appeal by Norm Charles, a College Green resident, and Doug Elliston, representing the College Green Homeowners' Association.

The homeowners' association owns the upper floor only of the medical centre building, and Elliston said any owner of the lower level would become part of the association and subject to its bylaws, which have regulations on children and noise.

He said the homeowners' association appealed the move because they were worried about disruption from the daycare and they didn't know all the details of the owners' plans.

"If the property owners ... had approached the condo-

minum association in a formal manner, maybe we wouldn't be here today," said Elliston.

He asked for more time to discuss issues like parking, fences and shared yard space before the purchase is allowed.

Dale Tomlinson, representing Kidz Playhouse Daycare, said the owners wanted to have a formal process in place before sitting down with the homeowners' association.

"We agree that we must have a meeting and discuss these shared costs," he said. "Once we are allowed to purchase

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DOUG ELLISTON  
College Green Homeowners' Association

this building, we will gladly sit down."

Robert Wigg, planning and development officer for the town, said these are private issues between the two owners and don't fall under the jurisdiction of the appeal board.

Wigg said he didn't think the daycare would be subject to the College Green bylaws, but the issue was irrelevant since the appeal board had simply to decide whether the

planning commission made the right decision to allow the daycare move based on the zoning of the property, Didsbury's Land Use Bylaw, and the town's goals in its municipal development plan.

"They made a planning decision and it does not involve the bylaws and it does not involve a lot of that extraneous material," said Wigg.

"I would ask the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board to uphold the decision of the MPC."

Wigg added that the College Green Medical Centre property is zoned general commercial, which means it could house more disruptive businesses than a daycare, like a bar.

"A daycare in that area will have much less impact on the adjacent users than many of the other commercial uses," he said.

Norm Charles, the second appellant, said he was appealing the move because of the noise a daycare would create and because he said it would reduce his property value.

Charles said he felt better about the move after hearing that the daycare owners changed their plans and hope to create a playground in the building's front yard instead of the backyard, adjacent to his property.

After the hearing, the daycare owners and the appellants shook hands and agreed to discuss the issues on both sides.

The appeal board has two weeks to make a decision about whether to allow the move.

## Municipalities should have right to increased taxing powers: mayor

BY STEPHANIE MYLES  
Didsbury Review

A recent survey is revealing which Alberta mayors and reeves agree with a report recommending municipalities be allowed to levy more taxes – and Didsbury's mayor is one of them.

A report to Municipal Affairs suggests Alberta's municipalities should be allowed to levy more taxes, including amusement, tourism, property transfer and vehicle registration taxes, to compensate for funding shortfalls.

The Canadian Federation

of Independent business, which represents small- and medium-sized businesses across Canada, surveyed Alberta mayors and reeves about the recommended taxing powers. Fifty-four said they opposed all four taxes, including the mayors of Innisfail and Sundre.

Mayor Dorothy Moore of Didsbury said she agrees municipalities should be able to levy more taxes to ensure users pay for facilities and services, and not just residents.

"If I were a resort community, which I'm not, then I would want to address that ... shadow population with a hotel tax. If I had a hockey team here and I had to build a new stadium for them

then I think I should be able to have a ticket tax, an amusement tax," she said. "I don't think it should be on the back of our residents."

Moore added that she doesn't see any need for special taxes in Didsbury, but she thinks other municipalities should have that option.

The Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties and the Cities of Edmonton and Calgary conducted the study on municipal sustainability to examine and strengthen the relationship between the provincial government and Alberta's municipalities.

The report, released in

March, confirms what municipalities have been saying all along – they face

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DOROTHY MOORE  
Mayor

funding shortfalls and won't be able to keep up with the infrastructure and service demands of the province's growing population.

The report's other key recommendations include requiring intermunicipal development plans to resolve disputes, and returning the education property tax to municipalities.

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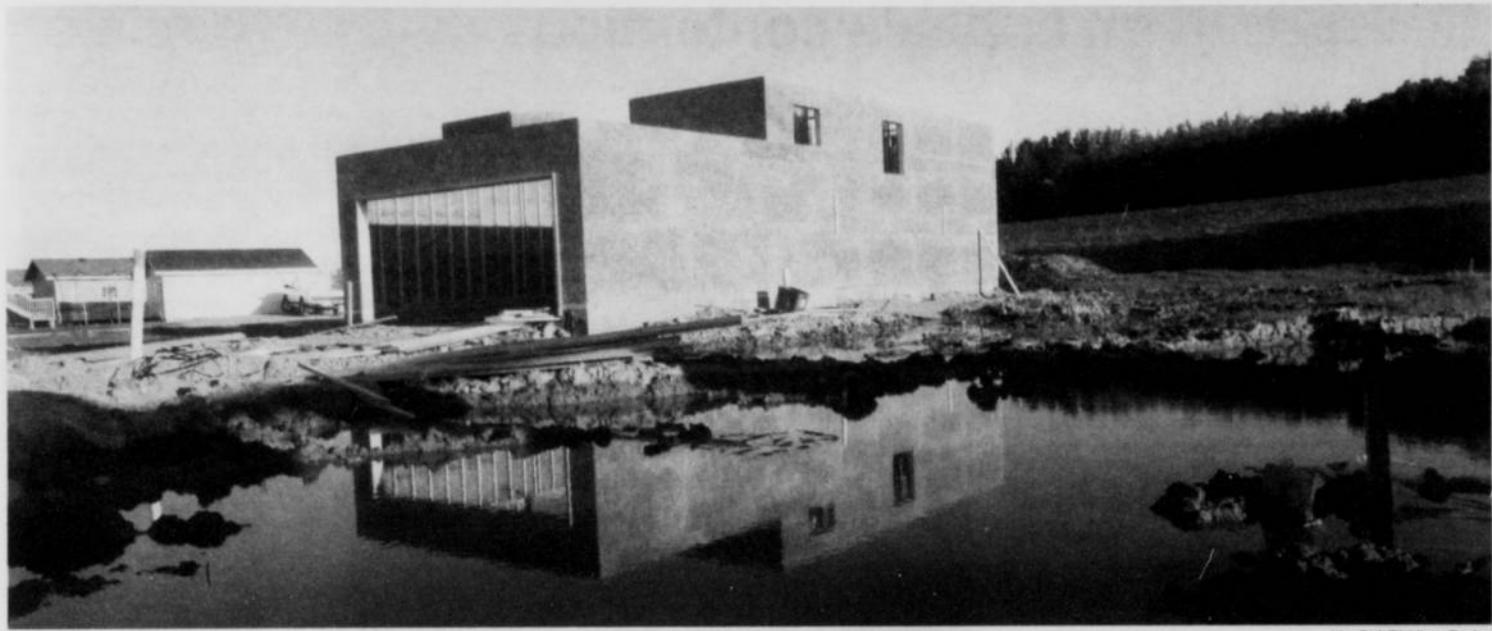
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**DEVELOPING DIDSBURY** — Housing starts in Didsbury are the same as last year but the value of construction has doubled.

## Construction values double last year's to-date development

*Lot prices increase in stride with other costs*

BY STEPHANIE MYLES  
Didsbury Review

The total construction value of housing starts in Didsbury so far this year is double last year's value, evidence that Didsbury isn't immune to the price increases hitting the rest of the province.

As of May 30, 2007, the town's planning department had registered 38 new housing starts for the year with a total construction value of \$9.3 million. On that date in 2006, the number of housing starts was the same, but the total construction value was only \$5.8 million.

Gord Kerr, part owner of Dreamwood Homes in Didsbury, said increased costs aren't the only factor contributing to high values.

"A lot of that is due to what kind of lots are available for use to build on," he said, adding that he's seeing more homes with attached garages being built in Didsbury this year, leading to higher construction values.

"Our prices haven't gone up by double, no, there's no way. We're probably up from last year 10 to 15 per cent."

Kerr said this increase is directly related to higher costs for inputs like freight and wages.

"It's still a hot market and we pay more for trades, we pay more for everything," he said.

***When the price of fuel goes up, every single thing we ship to a house has freight on it, so when it goes up and stays up it affects pretty well everything we put on a house.***

GORD KERR  
Dreamwood Homes

up too," he said.

Despite the higher costs, Kerr said buyers in Didsbury are still getting a good deal compared to other communities around the province.

"The value here is still exceptional," he said.

"It kind of gives you an idea of how the cost of everything else is going

up too," he said.

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# EDITORIAL & OPINION

## Your letters

### *My two cents on daycares, green bins*

Just thought I'd offer my two cents worth on two subjects that perhaps Didsbury didn't think of. On the "green bin" - the town does mention that trees and shrubs will go to a landfill BUT they didn't happen to mention where the compost that you made will go, did they? Well, next time you're in the "park(s)" in town or they mention they've planted some new trees, that's where your compost might be, or sold back to you when you need it. You're being charged, not paid to make the compost as well.

So now re: the new proposed day care. Why is it so hard for people to find a clear way to the solution? The people that live on the back of College Green are trying to tell you something.

Usually when you have had children and raised them you don't want to hear the noises anymore, and you're tired (retired see?) So you pay a lot of money to go somewhere for the peace and quiet. Perhaps the reason why you aren't listening or hearing what they have to say is that you've got too many of those supposedly "happy little noises" in your ears. Kids do not make happy chirpy little noises all day. And some of the noises they do make are just plain annoying as well as rude.

K. Kinswater  
Didsbury

### *She wants her ornaments back*

I would like to ask your readers to be on the lookout for a Chinese red dragon, two grey Chinese dogs with a ball, four solar flower shaped lights, a pig, two garden gnomes, and a gargoyle sitting (it has huge wings) and I'm sure a huge amount of other things, as they are missing from my garden.

It's a sad day to think that when you decide to help brighten your little corner of Didsbury to realize that there are some citizens that feel that anything that is out is theirs for the taking, or should I say stealing.

Yes, the fact is that these items were stolen from my yard late last week and early this week. What's next, I ask? Do they want my barbecue, my patio set, maybe they would like to break into my house and steal my TV?

According to the RCMP in town, it's that time of the year and it's just kids. I don't think so; I worked hard, earned and saved that money to buy these items - why should someone feel the need to steal them? The RCMP will be on the lookout for my items; sure, I really believe they are going to go into everyone's backyard, garage and house to see if my items are there. Not likely.

Why should we let things like this slide and just shrug our collective shoulders and say kids will be kids? Why should we care and respect a community that has people that don't care about other people's rights? I was afraid to even voice this out in the open. Why? For fear that my house would be the next thing to be attacked, maybe my car, but if people aren't aware of this then how can it be stopped?

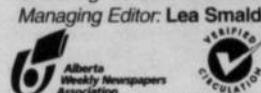
I want my stuff back. If you are the one who stole them, then bring them home and no questions will be asked. This has to stop and stop now. If you are reading this and you are one of the people who took these items, it wasn't funny, no one is laughing except you.

Shelley Paulichuk  
Didsbury

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### *More attention needed for human tragedies*

For the last eight months the newspaper has been fixated on the Haskett/animal cruelty issue.

I hope the next time a dog attacks and tortures a helpless little child and mauls it to death, or scars the child for life, that people would show some of the same emotion.

How about a petition or protest at the courthouse

with a graphic display of a lifelike doll all covered with blood, bites, and tear marks depicting the horrible dog attack? Oh sorry ...it's only a human...poor dog...it wasn't the dog's fault! Sound familiar?

E. V. Peters  
Didsbury

## Ponderings of the Heart

### *Appreciation day*

**MARGARET FRADLEY**

This week let us focus on 'appreciation.' When did we last tell those around us that mean a great deal to us that we appreciate them? First perhaps are our husbands and wives; have we assured them lately how much they mean to us, and how much we appreciate all they do? It is easy to take one another for granted; to just expect that vehicle to be washed and waxed and ready to go; the snow shovelled off the walk; the many other tasks that need time and patience.

And what about wives; we also need to be reminded occasionally that we are appreciated in all we do; especially the

smaller things that seem so often to be overlooked, the washing, ironing, mending and cleaning, and planning and preparing meals, to name just a few. When you went for those clean clothes or a nicely ironed handkerchief, did you remember the love that went into that?

Last but not least you children, did you show your appreciation this week to your parents for their love, caring and just being there for you when you needed them most? Our lives are 'in the fast lane' and often we forget the important things, the thoughts and actions that take only moments but nurture and encourage one another.

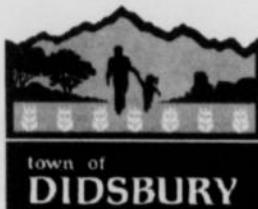
It only takes a moment, but the memory's lasting effects are well worth it.

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Didsbury Aquatic Centre Schedule	335-8653
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Rosebud Valley Campground	335-8578
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## PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

### TOWN COUNCIL:

Tuesday, June 5 & 19, 2007 Council Chambers at 7:00 pm  
*The Town Office will be closed the second Friday of every month from Noon to 1:00 pm (June 8, 2007)*

### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, June 6 & 20, 2007—Council Chambers at 4:30 pm

### DIDSBUY LIFELINE SOCIETY:

Monday, June 11, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.— Council Chambers

## NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

THE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT PERMITS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS:

DP 65-07	1412 - 22 Street	Single Family Dwelling with conditions	R2
DP 66-07	1416 - 22 Street	Single Family Dwelling with conditions	R2
DP 67-07	201 Valarosa Place	Single Family Dwelling with conditions	R2
DP 68-07	205 Valarosa Place	Single Family Dwelling with conditions	R2

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037—19 Avenue or by calling 335-3391. Person(s) wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on **June 19, 2007**.

*Robert Wigg, Development Officer*

**Notice:** According to Bylaw 95-01 (the Building Permit Bylaw), the Town of Didsbury may charge double the permit fees if unauthorized work, including excavation, has been started before the issuance of a permit. *Please remember to apply for all appropriate permits including development, building, electrical, gas and plumbing. Permits are required for such projects as Single Family Dwellings, garages, sheds over 144 ft<sup>2</sup>, woodstoves, commercial building change of business, etc. If you are unsure if you require a permit, please call 335-3391.*

## PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF DIDSBUY MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN BY-LAW 2007-02

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Didsbury has proceeded to first reading of a bylaw to adopt a new Municipal Development Plan. The primary purpose of this Plan is to guide the future growth and development of Didsbury through the inclusion of a set of broad goals and policies to guide decisions made by the Town.

A public hearing prior to second and third readings of the proposed By-law will be held June 19, 2007, commencing at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2037-19 Avenue.

The hearing will be conducted under the chairmanship of the Mayor, or her designated person, for the purpose of hearing opinions and comments and/or objections to the proposed By-law.

The style of the hearing will be informal and persons wishing to speak will be requested to state their name and address for the record upon being recognized by the Chairman. Opportunities to speak will not be restricted, but recognition to speak will be at the discretion of the Chairman. Written responses will also be accepted up until 12:00 noon June 19, 2007.

The public may inspect a copy of the proposed Municipal Development Plan amendments at the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2037-19 Avenue, during regular office hours 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION of this notice: June 5, 2007  
 DATE OF SECOND PUBLICATION of this notice: June 12, 2007

*Robert Wigg, Planning and Development Director*



## ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE FOR SPECIAL EVENT!

June 16, 2007 Didsbury Lions Soap Box Derby

Time of Closure: 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Closure of Highway 582 Junction at the east side of the Campground to 19th Street.

Detour of traffic east and west on 20th Avenue to 19th Street and north and south on 19th Street from Highway 582 and 20th Avenue.

Access will be allowed to local traffic to the Industrial Park north of Highway 582 from 19th Street and 16th Street.

## Thank you Didsbury High School

The Town of Didsbury would like to express their gratitude to the Students and Staff of Didsbury High School who participated in cleaning up our Town on May 29th.

**Thank you very much!**



## GREEN & BLACK BIN PICK-UP CALENDAR

GREY BOXES INDICATE GREEN BIN  
 PICKUP DAYS BLACK BOXES  
 INDICATE REGULAR GARBAGE  
 PICKUP DAYS.

June 2007						
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## NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS

 With the warm wet weather now here please remember to keep your lawn cut as to try to keep weeds down to a minimum. Not all people like using a weed spray so cutting the lawn will help.

Keeping your lawn cut will also help keep the mosquitoes down as well. The Town of Didsbury does have a bylaw to keep your lawn cut as to not be unsightly.

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## COMMUNITY MEMORIAL SERVICE

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Property Assessment and Taxation Notices were mailed May 25, 2007  
 If you own property and have not received your 2007 Notice please contact Marilyn at 335-3391.

All Assessment Appeals must be received by June 25, 2007  
*Taxes are due June 30, 2007*

## PRE-ELECTION INFORMATION SESSION JUNE 14

Are you thinking about running for the office of Mayor or Councillor in the 2007 Town of Didsbury Municipal Election? On Thursday, June 14, a Pre-Election Information Session will be held at the Olds Legion from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

This session is to give people considering running for municipal office an opportunity to hear what is involved and the commitments that are required if elected. The session is being hosted jointly by the Town of Carstairs, Didsbury, Sundre and Olds and by Mountain View County and the Village of Cremona. During the evening there will be breakout sessions where attendees may talk first-hand with municipal officials from these communities about the duties and commitments required. No pre-registration is required to attend this meeting.

Nomination Day is Monday, September 17. Election Day is Monday, October 15. For a complete information package on how to run for the office of Mayor or Councillors, contact Luana Smith at the Town of Didsbury 335-3391.

# Police attribute increased vandalism to weather

**Resident gets hit three times**

BY STEPHANIE MYLES  
*Didsbury Review*

Didsbury RCMP are stepping up bike patrols this summer to help curb increasing vandalism in town.

Sgt. Kevin O'Dwyer said the RCMP have found bike patrols are more effective at catching thieves and vandals.

"What's nice about the bikes is they can get around town fairly quickly and not be noticed," he said.

"If people are trying not to be seen and they're walking down the road, they're going to hear a car coming and they're going to get off the road, probably before the car can see them."

O'Dwyer said the RCMP have noticed an increase in vandalism recently and attribute it to the warm weather.

Shelley Paulichuk has experienced vandalism firsthand. Her yard was vandalized on three separate occasions last week,

when thieves stole decorations and ornaments from her yard.

"I've been living here for 10 years and I've never had to lock my doors," she said.

"(Now) I'm ready to sit out there all night with a baseball bat."

**"Why would you want to try to have people beautify this community so these ... punks can come out and steal everything they can get their hands on?"**

**SHELLEY PAULICHUK**  
*vandalism victim*

People know who lives in their neighbourhoods," he said. "If you see people who are hanging around or looking in vehicles or just skulking around, let us know."

Paulichuk said she's scared and wonders every night what the vandals will do next. She said she plans to build a fence to protect her hard work and possessions.

"Why would you want to try to have people beautify this community so these ... punks can come out and steal everything they can get their hands on?"

The RCMP will have four officers assigned to bike patrol this summer, but O'Dwyer said residents should be on the lookout for suspicious activity.

People know who lives

in their neighbourhoods," he said. "If you see people who are hanging around or looking in vehicles or just skulking around, let us know."

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### Anglican Church of Canada St. Cyprian's

2037 - 24th Ave. Didsbury - 335-4664  
Rev. Carole Armstrong  
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Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.

Mid-week service every third Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

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### Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

Corner Hwy. 582 & 20th Ave. Phone: 335-3629  
Website: [www.zemc.org](http://www.zemc.org)  
Colin Creighton, Youth Pastor  
Christine Little, Children's Ministries Director

Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

Worship Celebration 10:45 a.m.

Life Groups, Team Activities & Children's Programs

### Bethel Mennonite Church

Didsbury, Alberta  
5km S of the Didsbury Overpass,  
5km E on Berghal Rd.  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship Service - 11 a.m.

Pastor: Elwin Garland  
For more information ph: 335-4451

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Adult Bible Study Sunday - 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Communion 1 & 3 Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Jr. & Sr. Youth, Women's & Seniors Ministry Group  
Small Group Bible Study meetings throughout the week.

### St. Anthony's Catholic

2030 - 24 Ave. Didsbury  
For more information please contact  
Claude Baril - 335-3842

Catholic Women's League: Wendy MacKenzie 335-8507

Knight's of Columbus: Jim Myre 335-3633

### Mountain View Evangelical Missionary

Church  
14 km East of Didsbury  
Pastor John Lucas  
Office: 335-4422 • Home: 335-8923  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m. • Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
For information concerning the weekly activities  
please call the Church Office.

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### West Zion Mennonite Church

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Pastor Trevor Krieka, info - 337-2020  
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.  
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*Kim Dick/Didsbury Review*  
**EMPTY SPACES** - Shelley Paulichuk, a Didsbury resident for the past nine years, was shocked and saddened last week to find many of her irreplaceable yard and garden statues and lights missing. Paulichuk urges whoever is thieving from her yard to bring them back and leave them on the front step, no questions asked. She has contacted police about the thefts.

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# Neal named provincial Elk president

300 attend annual Elks conference hosted by Didsbury

BY STEPHANIE MYLES  
Didsbury Review

The Alberta Elks and Royal Purple are starting a new year with plans to modernize, increase membership and attract youth.

The Didsbury Elks and Royal Purple hosted about 300 members at the annual Alberta Elks Association and Royal Purple Lodges Association Conferences at Olds College this past weekend.

The annual election of officers saw Don Neal of the Didsbury Elks become provincial president.

Neal said he hopes to help the Elks through a transitional phase over the next year.

"We're proposing a step out from some of the traditional things we do to enhance activities around our lodges and in our communities," he said in an interview before the conference.

Neal said the Elks would be considering becoming part of the province's geotourism initiative to increase activity in their communities.

Linda Torpy of Three Hills was elected provincial

president of the Royal Purple over the weekend. Torpy said her mission as president will be to attract more youth to the organization.

"We realize things have changed since my mother was a member," she said. "In those days, it was her night out. Now, it's another thing for women to add to

**"We're proposing a step out from some of the traditional things we do to enhance activities around our lodges and in our communities."**

**DON NEAL**  
president, Alberta Elks Association

their list of things to do."

Three Hills has already been successful at recruiting younger women, with 14 members under age 30.

Outgoing Alberta Elks president Duane Felt said he's tried to encourage lodges around the province to modernize and streamline their meeting processes over the past year.

"We've changed our focus over the last few years to make our meetings more membership-friendly," he said. "Some lodges, we found, they're down to a dozen members and it just isn't working anymore so we're slowly meeting community needs."

As part of the weekend festivities, the Elks made a donation to the Didsbury & District Historical Society and the Royal Purple made a donation to the Mountain View Special Riding Association.

Grand Exalted Ruler Bill Ward of Didsbury, the Elks of Canada national leader, also attended the conference, as well as Supreme Honoured Lady Liz Sport of the Royal Purple.

The Alberta Elks Association has 95 lodges in Alberta and western British Columbia, with over 5,000 members.

The Royal Purple count 79 lodges around the province.



## NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE REGARDING BRANCHES AND UNTREATED WOOD

Due to environmental concerns the Board of Directors of the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission has authorized that burn pits at the Olds, Sundre and Water Valley waste transfer sites will be closed, effective July 1, 2007. All clean wood and branches received after July 1, 2007 will be chipped and used for mulch, bedding and daily cover. Residents interested in acquiring mulch for personal use may contact the MVRWMC at 556-8120 after July 1, 2007.

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Stephanie Myles/Didsbury Review

**HIGH SCHOOL SHOW & SHINE** - Spectators admire Kyle Leeson's 1957 GMC Shortbox Stepside pickup at the third annual Didsbury High School Show & Shine and BBQ. The event raised over \$400 for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation this year.

## Cause of death confirmed Propane heater to blame

BY DAN SINGLETON  
For the Didsbury Review

The investigation into the deaths of two Olds-area teens who died in a horse trailer west of Sundre during the May long weekend has concluded, say police.

Jennifer McLean, 18, and Alysha Nuttall, 15, were found dead in the trailer in the Big Horn Campground at about 10:50 a.m. on May 20.

"They both died of carbon monoxide

asphyxiation caused by the propane heater in the trailer they were sleeping in," said Sundre RCMP Const. John Carlson.

Asphyxiation was initially suspected as the cause and was confirmed by the medical examiner this week.

"Our advice is always make sure there is a window open, so that fresh air can come in," said Carlson.

A memorial bench will be placed at the Big Horn campground in the girl's memory.



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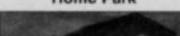
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# Wet weather creating setbacks for farmers

file photo/Kim Dick

BY MARK LAYCOCK  
For the Didsbury Review

Edmonton and down through Camrose and Red Deer are behind in seeding.

"The only two normal areas are the areas from Strathmore, Medicine Hat, and Lethbridge, that triangle down there...the rest of the province is behind."

Many areas have had to decrease their growing season, forcing farmers to abandon growing crops such as wheat and canola and opt for barley and oats which conform to a shorter growing season.

A May 29 crop conditions report indicates that 60 per cent of farmers in the central Alberta region have finished seeding. Provincewide, only 56 per cent of Alberta farmers have completed seeding, down from an average of 85 per cent for this time of the year.

"The major concern is that they (farmers) aren't going to (finish) them in time before frost in the fall," said Neil Whatley, a crop specialist for the Ag-Info centre for Alberta Agriculture and Food.

Whatley said areas north and east of



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## SUNDAY, JUNE 10

Rosebud Hall family BBQ at 4:00 p.m. Contact 335-9921 for information.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 12

Mountainview Christian Women's Continental Breakfast will be held upstairs in the Carstairs arena, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. The special feature is cake decorating. Cost: \$5 per person, for reservations call Chelsea, 337-0143, or Margie, 335-3765.

## Around town

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

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1/4 tsp (1 mL) salt  
1/4 tsp (1 mL) freshly ground pepper  
3 cloves garlic, crushed  
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Spring is here and in the horse world, that means one thing: show season. Here at the SilverSage Riders, we have kicked off the show season with the Bow Valley Schooling Show and the District Show. Our members did outstandingly at both shows, consistently placing high while performing to the best of their and their horses' abilities and having a lot of fun in the process. Congratulations to everyone. In the midst of shows and preparation, the club went on a field trip to the Bear Valley Equine Rescue Center where we spent time brushing and visiting the rescued horses. At the end of the day, we raised over \$400 in monetary donations as well as some donated tack and we are very pleased with our efforts. We also held a meeting at the Skots' farm on May 22 where we discussed a variety of topics with the main one being 4-H on Parade. Yes, it's that time of year again and we are very excited to be participating in the show once more. These last few weeks have been dedicated to extensive preparations and rides with our wonderful instructor Lynn Bouck and we are glad to be heading to the

## Neighbourhood news

event well prepared. We invite anyone who is interested in seeing us in action and finding out more about the club and 4-H in general to come down and check us out. Our members will be showing on June 2nd and 3rd, with Showmanship and English being on Saturday and Western on Sunday. From all of us here at SilverSage, Happy Trails!

Submitted by Stina Nagel

### Local 4-H Clubs pull together to raise money

On Wednesday, May 23 the Carstairs & District Steer Committee learned that a past 4-H member was in need. Who else could pull off a fundraiser in six hours other than

4-H members, 4-H families and 4-H supporters? One of West Didsbury's past members, Adrian Whitlow, and his wife, Gina, have a three-month-old baby girl, Cheyenne, who is battling for her life with a serious heart condition. Adrian is the son of long-time 4-H supporters Pam and Vair Whitlow.

The West Didsbury 4-H Club offered their 4-H support by auctioning a pen-mate steer for sale with the proceeds going to the expenses of staying and caring for a sick child in Edmonton. They raised \$15,000 by selling this steer - four times! This was accomplished with the support of Whitlow family friends, the Prairie Partners 4-H Club, the Cremona 4-H Club, the West Carstairs 4-H Club, the West Didsbury 4-H Club, Roberts Fuel Supplies/Jim Walrath, Balzac Meats and the many people in attendance at the Carstairs & District Steer Sale.

Our thoughts and prayers are with baby Cheyenne as she continues her journey. Special thanks goes to the Carstairs & District Steer Committee and to all the 4-H clubs who made this fundraiser possible.

Submitted by Carol Hadway

## Tompkins tames bulls at Maple Creek

BY BARRY WILLIAMS  
For the Didsbury Review

After capturing two consecutive bullaramas on the World Professional Bullriding Inc. tour at Alix and Eckville, Carstairs bull rider, Dustin Tompkins continued his winning ways at Cowtown Rodeo held in Maple Creek, Sask. last weekend.

At the rodeo nestled in the Cypress Hills, Tompkins padded his seasonal earnings on the Canadian Professional Rodeo Association by \$1,418 by cowboying up to Big Country Rodeo's Country for an 86 point ride. He was truly the class of the rodeo as he bested the 2/3 riders, Luke Ellingson and Tyrel Jensen by five points - 81 - good enough for them to collect a \$1,032 payout.

As one of the CPRA's longest running rodeos, the Cowtown Rodeo celebrates southwest Saskatchewan's western way of life so it was only fitting Turner Valley's Ben Morrow would

draw Big Country Rodeo's Western Way. As the first rider out in the saddle bronc competition, Morrow set the pace by spurring out a 79 point ride worth \$1,001. Hometown favourite, Ross Kreutzer and Rod Hay each collected \$626 for their 77 point efforts.

There is even a horse named "Mikey" and he carried Dustan McPhee to the pay window to collect \$862 for a ride worth 83 points, tops in bareback. Bashaw rider, Davey Shields Jr., posted a 81 points to collect \$669 while Michael Solberg and Reid Rowan collected \$335 for rides worth 80 points apiece.

For being clocked at 8.1 seconds, Steve Lloyd was the quickest tie-down roper and the richest of the day collecting \$1,513. Montana super looper Beau Franzen settled for \$855 for his 8.6 seconds of work in the arena.

The Cochrane steer wrestler collected \$1,126 for pinning his steer in 4.6 seconds. Tim Kemp and Lee Graves settled for a 2/3 split collecting \$978 for a pin in 4.8 seconds.

Around the barrels, Traci Dawson set the pace blitzing the cloverleaf in 17.30 seconds to win the ladies' barrel racing. Right behind her at 17.33 seconds was Canna Shadbolt.

At the Bonnyville Pro Rodeo, there was no evidence of Rod Hay riding while drinking but at the end of the saddle bronc event he toasted his mount Franklin Rodeo's, Scotch on the Rocks, for allowing him to cash a \$995 cheque - for a ride

worth 82 points. With a marking of 80 points, Jarrett Monroe placed second collecting \$823 in earnings.

Topping the bareback competition with a marked ride worth 86 points aboard Franklin Rodeo's Pop A Top was Matt Laitt, who collected \$940. Off by ten points, Clayton Bunney recorded 76 points for a second spot worth \$778.

Lethbridge bull rider, Garth Oldfield won the bull riding event with a 77 point ride on Franklin Rodeo's 312. He tucked \$1,250 into his Wrangler jeans pockets. Dustin Tompkins made yet another stroll up to the cashier's window as he collected \$1,369 for his marking of 71 points.

At the timed end of the arena, Chad Johnson won the tie-down roping event lasooing his critter in 8.2 seconds, earning him \$1,432. Colbert, Washington roper Tyson Durfey's run of 8.5 seconds earned him \$1,246.

Donaldada bulldogger, Cody Cassidy pinned his steer in 3.8 seconds to claim \$1,643 for the steer wrestling championship. A cheque worth \$1,429 was waiting for Caroline's Brent Willsie as he placed second for just 4.2 seconds of work in the rodeo infield.

A real horse race developed in the ladies' barrel racing as Shannon Legerrier won \$1,574 by posting the quickest time of 16.71 seconds. It was almost a photo finish as Rana Walter was timed at 16.73 seconds, a run worth \$1,349.



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